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🍦 Majority prices for next week are trending higher in the West and South, unchanged in the Midwest and East. Trade sentiment was steady to fully steady. Retail demand was slow to moderate, but in the Midwest, buying interest increased in areas anticipating heavy snowfall. Food service was light to moderate. Supplies were usually sufficient; however, in the East, larger sizes were fully adequate to ample and competitively priced. In the parts structure, trading was moderate to good. Breast items were in the tightest positions and moving well. Dark meat was in good balance to well cleared, and wings were sufficient to closer balanced. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mixed weights.

Preliminary report Prices negotated for trucklot sales of ready-tocook broiler/fryers fob and delivered to first receivers at major market areas week of 24-JAN-2005 (cents per lb)

US GRADE A

(Inclu	WTD			
<u>AREAS</u>	MAJORITY	RANGE	<u>AVG</u>	LOADS
Delivered to Firs	st Receivers			
Chicago	63.00-66.00	60.00-76.00	66.16	27
New York	69.00-72.00			
Los Angeles	80.00			
Southeast Area	FOB Dock Equiv	/alent		
Mississippi	72.00-75.00	58.00-76.00	73.19	91

GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for this week's trading is 73.50 cents based on icepacked USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds.

PRELIMINARY FOB DOCK OR **EQUIVALENT**

LOADS	RANGE	FRIDAY PRELIM. WTD. AVG.
991	69.35-75.50	73.39
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Georgia f.o.b. dock confirmed preliminary weighted average price on

ice packed parts:	WID. AVG.	VOLUME
<u>ITEM</u>	(CENTS PER POUND)	(000 POUNDS)
LINE RUN TENDERS	165.00	1,282
BREASTS - B/S	151.50	5,704
BREASTS - WHOLE	78.00	1,349
THIGH MEAT - B/S	85.00	994
LEG QUARTERS	31.00	7,009
WINGS	121.50	2,954
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MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYERS Preliminary majority prices for next week's trading into the Chicago market area were unchanged form last Tuesday's final. Whole broiler/fryer market tone was mostly steady. Offerings were adequate for light trade interest. Retail and food service movement remained slow to moderate overall, instances of good demand into retail areas forecasting heavy snowfall. Floor stocks were generally in balance, but ranged short to long. Weights were mixed. Parts interest was moderate on light to moderate offerings. The market tone was steady to firm on all parts.

SOUTHERN BROILER Trade sentiment was mixed, but at least steady. Demand entering the weekend was fair to moderate, best for fast food and to cover increased weekend needs. Supplies of all sizes were usually sufficient to handle trade needs. In the parts structure, movement was moderate to good. Wings were in good balance and moving. Breast items and dark meat were no more than adequate to tight and trading at premium levels. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mostly desirable weights.

WESTERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS The preliminary majority prices were 1 cent higher for next week throughout the region. Trading reported for next week's deliveries were at higher prices on regular commitments and new negotiations at mixed levels. Offerings adequate overall. Buying activity fair. Retailer demand moderate best for parts. Dealers anticipated satisfactory weekend clearances.

Trade sentiment on parts steady to firm with breasts in the strongest

Ads noted (per pound unless otherwise stated):

ARIZONA - whole body marinated 129, boneless breast 177-529 and 4# bag IQF 899, boneless thigh meat 177-249 and 4# bag IQF 899, split breast 99-279, leg quarters 99, thigh 99, drumstick 99,

(deli food service - fried 8 piece mixed 549-599 and 12 piece 699-899, rotisserie 499-599 each);

COLORADO – boneless breast 177-499, boneless breast buy one get one free 699, boneless breast 3# bag IQF 599 and 4# bag IQF 899-999, boneless thigh meat 249, split breast 99, leg quarters 99-100, drumstick 99, thiah 99.

(deli food service - rotisserie 499-699 each):

IDAHO - boneless breast 188-249 and 4# bag IQF 899, leg quarters 10# bag 590, drumstick 99, thigh 99,

(deli food service - rotisserie 499 each);

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA - whole body 99, whole cut-up 149, roaster 149, boneless breast 499, split breast 99, thigh 99-169, drumstick 99-169,

(deli food service - fried 8 piece mix 599);

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA - whole body 57, boneless breast 148-499 and 4# bag IQF 899, boneless breast tender 3# bag IQF 799, boneless leg meat 79-99, whole breast 119, split breast 99-119, whole leg 87, wings buffalo style 3# 598, leg quarter 129 and 10# bag 390-490, thigh 87-169, drumstick 39-169 and 5# bag 190,

(deli food service - fried 8 piece drumstick and thigh combo 399, 8 piece mixed 499, rotisserie 478-498).

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYERS Trucklot buying activity on ready-tocook whole broiler/fryers was light to moderate. Offerings were adequate on lighter sizes to ample on the heavier weights. Retail and distributive movement was fair. The market tone was generally steady. In the parts complex, breast items were short, dark meat items were clearing satisfactorily with b/s thigh meat well cleared. Wings were moving but adequate.

DELMARVA BROILER/FRYERS Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was slow to fair. Offerings were adequate to fully adequate on the 2.50 and 3.00 pound sizes; ample and competitively priced on the 4.00 pound sizes. Live supplies were moderate; weights were desirable to heavy. Processing schedules were moderately heavy when combined with operations planned on Saturday. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 71 to 85 cents. In the parts complex, breast items remained short of full trade needs. Leg cuts were in good balance to closely cleared. Wings were adequate.

*BROILER/FRYER CURRENT NEGOTIATED PRICES FOR IMMEDIATE DELIVERY INCLUDES MOSTLY MULTIPLE-DROP SHIPMENTS OF BRANDED AND WING TAGGED TO NEW YORK CITY FROM DELMARVA.

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	<u>DN</u>	ANDED U.S. GRADE A
RANGE		63-89
WEIGHTED AVERAGE		74.40
NO. OF BOXES		6,636
CUMULATIVE	01/17/05-01/21/05	73.66
	01/19/04-01/23/04	74.64
NO. OF BOXES	01/17/05-01/21/05	32,532
	01/19/04-01/23/04	32,682

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JAN 20, 2005 SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS

JAN 21, 2005

F.O.B. DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, ICED-PACKED, PRICES SHOWN ARE DAY OF SHIPMENT (INCLUDES CURRENT AND PRIOR NEGOTIATIONS), TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUME, CENTS PER POUND.

ı	POUNDS	3		WTD	POUNDS	S			WEEK	LY
ITEM	(000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	AVG	<u>(000)</u>	RANGE	<u>MAJORITY</u>	WTD AVG	<u>(000)</u>	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	738	144.00-215.00	146-150	151.72	662	147.00-225.00	150-155	154.95	2,864	150.16
TENDERLOINS	227	107.00-170.00	120-125	124.04	218	110.00-170.00	122-127	123.90	871	122.26
BREAST - LINE RUN	61	74.00-82.00	75-77	75.43	93	77.00-87.00	80-82	80.97	323	77.49
FRONT HALVES	TO	O FEW TO REPO	ORT		TC	O FEW TO REP	ORT		210	68.38
LEGS	50	34.00-49.00	35-36	38.04	74	34.00-49.00	35-37	37.58	291	36.84
LEG QUARTERS (BULK) 512	25.00-30.00	27-28	27.42	511	26.00-30.00	27-28	27.57	2,047	27.48
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	886	27.00-32.00	29-30	29.21	1,075	27.00-32.00	29-30	29.28	3,863	29.17
WINGS (WHOLE)	340	117.00-125.00	119-122	119.68	305	117.00-125.00	119-122	119.95	1,245	119.64
WINGS (CUT)	840	130.00-140.00	134-137	135.83	805	130.00-140.00	134-139	136.04	3,659	136.73
DRUMSTICKS	TO	O FEW TO REPO	ORT		TC	O FEW TO REP	ORT		256	38.48
THIGHS	TO	O FEW TO REPO	ORT		TC	O FEW TO REP	ORT		120	51.65
B/	S THIGI	HS TOO	FEW TO REF	PORT	95	83.00-92.00	88-92	89.74	335	88.37

WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS TRADING — F.O.B. DOCK.

 RANGE
 TODAY'S AVERAGE
 RANGE
 TODAY'S AVERAGE
 5-DAY AVERAGE

 43.50-50.00
 46.93
 44.50 - 52.50
 48.62
 47.95

The Index is intended solely as an indicator of values for commodity-type product and does not represent industry's willingness to sell or ability to buy.

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS

Trucklot buying activity was moderate to good. Supplies of breast items were tight with boneless breast and tenderloins in the closest position. B/S thighs were also short of needs. Wings were about sufficient and at least steady. Balance of items were adequate but clearing. Movement through retail channels was fair to fairly good. Distributive movement was fair to moderate with talk of the pending snow storm. The market tone was firm to higher on breast items; fully steady to firm on boneless thighs. Balance of items were at least steady.

ICE PKD BROILER/FRYER PARTS, DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS IN POOL TRUCKLOT & TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES, CENTS PER POUND. JAN 21, 2005

JAN 20, 2005	CURRENT NEC	S WTD		CURRENT NEG	WTD			WEEKLY
<u>ITEM</u>	TRADING*	AVG**	VOL/LBS	TRADING*	AVG**	VOL/LBS	WTD AVG	VOL/LBS
BREAST - B/S	155-160	143.79	751,246	155-160	143.00	1,053,100	142.37	3,129,706
TENDERLOINS	115	113.74	192,370	117	115.16	223,240	115.77	812,910
BREAST - WITH RIBS	78-79	83.63	111,560	80-81	84.43	140,920	82.85	452,460
BREAST - LINE RUN	78	79.97	131,760	80	82.61	84,080	78.60	474,160
LEGS	42-43	40.48	381,360	43-44	40.24	381,760	40.22	1,345,100
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	28-29	28.93	295,133	29-30	29.61	263,394	28.87	1,287,854
DRUMSTICKS	29-30	34.48	186,480	29-30	34.13	213,440	33.22	1,019,590
THIGHS	33-34	42.88	58,716	34-35	44.10	82,880	42.57	301,716
B/S THIGHS	90-91	86.45	120,420	91-92	84.74	116,240	84.38	439,860
WINGS (WHOLE)	115-116	120.57	162,960	115-116	125.40	170,320	123.84	545,480
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIP	PED) 10-12	11.98	40,280	10-12	11.78	30,760	11.92	136,040
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	30-35	30.04	10,640	30-35	29.55	19,480	29.33	65,920
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	60-65	64.28	20,920	60-65	64.63	26,880	63.97	100,720
INCLUDES: NY CITY MÉTRO. A	REA, RI, NORTHE	RN NJ, MA,	CT, PA (NORTHEA	ST OF HARRISBURG)	.* TODAY'S NE	G. SALES AS OF	11:30 A.M.	

** WTD AVG PRICE OF ALL GRADES AND BRANDS OF PRODUCT SHIPPED, OR TO BE SHIPPED AS OF 1:30 P.M.

ESTIMATED SL	AUGH1	TER OF E	BROILER-FR	YERS (IN	THOUS	ANDS)			
	ESTIM	<u>ATED</u>	ACTU.	AL	AVG \	<u>NT</u>	<u>ACTUAL</u>	AVG WTS	ľ
	(1,000))	(1,000)		(1	,000)			ľ
	01/21	01/20	01/19	01/18	01/19	01/18	01/14	01/12	L
Alabama	4,667	4,128	3,585	3,906	5.42	5.25	3,916	5.19	
Arkansas	4,479	5,179	4,897	5,169	5.00	5.12	5,029	5.10	П
Delmarva	2,481	2,265	2,269	2,071	5.68	5.67	2,512	5.58	П
KY-LA-TN	2,115	2,151	2,158	2,126	5.11	5.23	2,178	5.44	
	3,381	3,031	3,037	3,074	5.68	5.71	3,506	5.68	П
North Carolina	3,425	2,502	2,523	2,463	6.56	6.57	3,504	6.65	
Texas	2,450	2,446	2,196	2,462	5.51	5.36	2,383	5.26	1
Total 2	2,998	21,702	20,665	21,271	5.50	5.49	23,028	5.49	L
Mon-Fri 10	1,752(A)					108,7782	(A)	Ιī
(A) Weekly cum	nulative	e for state	es listed abo	ove.					ľ
Broiler-fryer sla	aughte	r under i	federal insp	pection for	or 21-Ja	n-05 aı	nd 22-Jan	-05 is esti-	П
mated to be 34	,408,0	00 head	down 0.43	percent f	rom a w	eek ago	and up 4.	69 percent	

from a year ago.

(Last week 34,556,000, last year 32,868,000) Weekly broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for the weekending 22-Jan-05 is estimated to be 147,913,000 head down 7.71 percent from a week ago, and up 0.26 percent from a year ago.

(Last week 160,263,000, last year 147,528,000)

ı	SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA)	PROCESSED
	POULTRY, DELIVERED TO RETAILERS	
		RANGE

FRESH FRYERS	97-99
ROASTERS 4# & UP	95-107
HENS UNDER 5#	
HENS OVER 5#	63-71
DUCKS	
RABBITS-WHOLE	
RABBITS-CUT UP	

SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED POULTRY DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

		RANGE
FRESH FRYERS	ICE PACK	103-105
	DRY PACK	103-108
ROASTERS 4# & UP	ICE PACK	108-111
	DRY PACK	111
HENS OVER 5#	ICE PACK	89-93
	DRY PACK	89-95
DUCKS		175-192

RANGE

MOSTLY

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED Under federal inspection, classified by live weight, week ending 08-JAN-05. (Preliminary)

	(A) Fast food/	(B) Retail	(C) Deboning
	Food service		
	4.20 Lbs & down	4.21-5.25 Lbs	<u>5.26 Lbs & Up</u>
	TI	HOUSANDS	
Head	26,283	19,205	49,048
Avg Weight	3.81	4.74	6.42
% of total /1	28%	20%	52%
Comparisons			
Last week	25,548	14,092	40,006
Avg Weight	3.83	4.77	6.48
% of total /1	32%	18%	50%
	/0	00.040	00.004
Same week, yr a	ago /2 19,626	20,313	39,884
Avg Weight	3.70	4.71	6.40
% of total /1	25%	25%	50%
To date/2004	26,283	19,205	49,048
To date/2003	19,626	20.313	39,884
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- /1 May not total to 100% due to rounding. /2 Comparable week. (A) This weight class generally denotes chickens marketed in the fast food and food service industries. May also include cornish hens. (B) This weight class generally denotes chickens marketed in the re-
- tail industry. (C) This weight class generally denotes chickens used in further pro-

cessing. May also include heavy roasters sold in retail channels.

LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

WEEK ENDING 15-JAN-2005 (PRELIMINARY) YOUNG LIGHT **HEAVY TOTAL** HENS DUCKS **CHICKENS HENS HENS** ----THOUSANDS-Head 159,418 1,625 1,219 2,844 516 8.08 6.77 Avg Wt 5.25 3.39 5.40 2,954 550 Last week 160,263 1,471 1,483 396 157,478 1,526 1,278 2,804 Same wk yr ago Avg Wt 7.89 6.93 5.20 3.40 5.45 To-date/2005 319,681 3,096 2.702 5,798 1.066 To-date/2004 316,313 2,784 2,590 5,374 853

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 158.8 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 161.4 million head, or 2.6 million more than estimated available.

GRAYSTONE SMALL ANIMAL AUCTION - JAN 18, 2005

PRICES PAID PER POUND, EXCEPT AS NOTED

ALPAPERS REQUIRED TO SELL ALL OUT OF STATE POULTRY							
	RANGE	RANGE					
Muscovy Ducks - Drakes	1.30 - 1.35	Leghorn Hens	.25	50ea.			
Muscovy Ducks - Hens	1.30 - 1.35	Silkies	3.00	- 3.10ea.			
Red Fowl 4-5 LBS	.3040	Pigeons	3.00	- 3.10ea.			
Red Fowl 5-6 LBS	.4560	White Pigeons	4.85	- 5.00ea.			
Crossbred Roosters		Rabbits 4-6 LB	S 1.35	- 1.40			
4-6 LBS	1.10 - 1.30	Rabbits 6-9 LB	S 1.10	- 1.20			
Crossbred Roosters		Bunnies	1.00	- 2.00			
7-11 LBS	.90 - 1.10	Guinea Pigs	.10	50ea.			
Guinea Fowl	1.40 - 1.50	Goats	37.00	-39.00ea.			
Banty Roosters	3.75 - 4.00 ea	.Kid Goats	25.00	-27.00ea.			
Banty Hens	2.00 - 2.25 ea	.Doves	3.00	- 3.50ea.			
Total Coops Sold	176						

EASTERN REGION MISCELLANEOUS POULTRY

For delivery the week of JANUARY 17, 2005

DUCKLINGS: PRICES NEGOTIATED BY FIRST RECEIVERS, US GRADE A, 4-5 POUNDS, DELIVERED IN TRUCKLOT AND POOL TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES, CENTS PER POUND

FROZEN	FRESH
143-145	149-151
127-131	128-133
	143-145

ROASTERS: PRICES NEGOTIATED BY FIRST RECEIVERS, US GRADE A AND PLANT GRADE, 5 POUNDS AND UP, DELIVERED, CENTS PER POUND

ICE PACKED (12 PER BOX)	71.00-73.50	69.00-73.00
VACUUM PACKED (6-9 PER BOX)	65.00-86.50	75.00-79.00
SQUABS: NEW YORK AREA WHOLESALE F	PRICES, FROZEN	I, PLANT GRADE,
DOLLARS PER DOZEN, 1 TO 10 BOXES		
12 OZ.	60.48-71.28	
14 OZ.	66.96-77.92	
16 OZ.	73.44-86.67	

THE EASTERN REGION INCLUDES: CT,DE,FL,GA,MA,MD,ME,NC,NH,NJ,NY,PA RI,SC,VA,VT,WV

CENTRAL REGION DUCKLINGS Prices remained unchanged. Trade sentiment steady. Demand was good to very good. Supplies were adequate to at times close for current needs. Schedules full-time. Prices paid to first receivers for 10-18oz boneless breast at \$4.25-5.25, bone in legs at \$1.35-1.45, gizzards at \$1.35-1.40, wings at \$0.30-0.50, livers at \$0.75-1.70, and feet at \$0.80-1.15.

PRICES NEGOTIATED BY FIRST RECEIVERS FOR US GRADE A DELIVERED IN TRUCKLOT AND POOL TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES, 4-5 POUNDS, WEEK OF 17-JAN-2005.

ORIGIN	FROZEN	FRESH
MIDWEST AND OTHERS	116-134	118-139
MOSTLY		

ESTIMATED U.S. FRYER SLAUGHTER/ FRYER AVAILABILITY COMPARISON

	MILLION HEAD		ND MILLION HEAD		
WEEK ENDING	SLA	UGHTERED	AVAILABLE	PCT	AVG WT
December	11	161.8	155.8	104%	5.21
	18	161.2	154.3	104%	5.22
	25	126.6	152.1	83%	5.27
January	1	139.3	152.6	91%	5.33
	8	162.2	154.9	105%	5.35
	15	161.4	158.8	102%	5.25
Year to date		323.6	313.7	103%	
January	22		161.5		
	29		162.4		

BROILER/CATTLE/HOG WEEKLY ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER

THOUSANDS					
W/E	01/22/05	01/15/05	% CHG	01/24/04	% CHG
Broilers	147,913	159,553*	-08	147,528*	-0
Cattle	587	587	0	624*	-6
Hogs	1,998	2,045	-02	2,034*	-2
Under Federal Inspection					
* ACTUAL					

NATIONAL CANNER FOWL MARKET Trading was too few to report on heavy canners; unchanged on lights when compared to a week earlier. Demand was mostly moderate for both light and heavy canners with most supplies of heavy canners being used internally. Offerings were adequate to about adequate and well cleared. Processing schedules were normal to less than normal. The undertone was generally steady.

CENTS PER POUND, CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS, WITHOUT FREIGHT COST

LIGHT CANNER HENS **HEAVY CANNER HENS** (LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS) (WITHOUT NECKS) 28-32 MAJORITY 28-30 TOO FEW TO REPORT

CENTS PER POUND. CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS. FREIGHT COST INCLUDED

LIGHT CANNER HENS **HEAVY CANNER HENS** (LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS) (WITHOUT NECKS) 29-34 MAJORITY 30-34 TOO FEW TO REPORT

LIGHT TYPE HENS

CENTS PER HEAD, GENERALLY FOR REMOVAL WITHIN THE NEXT 10 DAYS (INCLUDES HANDLING, FREIGHT AND ANY OTHER CHARGES, WEIGHTS AVERAGE ABOUT 3.50 POUNDS)

EASTERN REGION LIGHT LIVE HEN Prices were unchanged when compared to a week ago. Demand was fair to moderate with offerings of spent hens generally sufficient for current trade needs. Processing schedules were normal to less than normal. Trade sentiment was steady.

> **RANGE MAJORITY**

REMOVAL COST 4-9 6 -8

SOUTH CENTRAL LIGHT LIVE HEN Negotiations were too few to report. Demand was moderate for fully adequate offerings of spent hens. Schedules were reduced. Sales of finished product were fair. Costs of disposal were expected to remain constant.

RANGE MAJORITY

REMOVAL COST TOO FEW TO REPORT

NORTH CENTRAL LIGHT LIVE HEN Prices were unchanged. Offerings were adequate to fully adequate with demand fairly good to instances good. Bookings into some operations were heavier than last week. Schedules full-time. Trade sentiment steady.

> **MAJORITY RANGE**

REMOVAL COST 0-7 4-5

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HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *

PRELIMINARY PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 24-JAN-05

SOUTHEAST HEAVY LIVE HEN Sales were too few to report prices. Demand was mostly moderate for the adequate to at least adequate offerings. Processing schedules for next week were noted as less than normal. Sales of finished product were sufficient for trade needs and well cleared. The undertone was steady.

RANGE MAJORITY

AT FARM BUYER LOADING TOO FEW TO REPORT AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING TOO FEW TO REPORT **FOB PLANT** TOO FEW TO REPORT

SOUTH CENTRAL LIVE HEAVY-TYPE HENS Trading was too few to report. Demand was moderate for adequate supplies of spent hens. Schedules were normal. Finished wales were fair. Trade sentiment was about steady.

RANGE MAJORITY

AT FARM BUYER LOADING TOO FEW TO REPORT

* WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

WEST COAST LIGHT LIVE HEN Plant schedules moderate. Offerings adequate.